HARDEE COUNTY RESOLUTION NO. 2023-05

A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HARDEE COUNTY, FLORIDA EXTENDING RESOLUTION NO. 2022-35 DECLARING A STATE OF LOCAL EMERGENCY; WAIVING PROCEDURES AND FORMALITIES DURING THE PERIOD OF SUCH EMERGENCY; AUTHORIZING AND DIRECTING THE HARDEE COUNTY EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT DIRECTOR AND COUNTY MANAGER TO TAKE WHATEVER PRUDENT ACTIONS MAY BE NECESSARY TO PROTECT THE HEALTH, SAFETY, AND WELFARE OF THE COMMUNITY PURSUANT TO THIS DECLARATION; PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

WHEREAS, on September 26, 2022, the Hardee County (the "County") Board of County Commissioners (the "BOCC") adopted Resolution No. 2022-33 declaring a state of local emergency (the "LSE"); and

WHEREAS, the initial LSE was set to expire on October 3, 2022, and has been extended in accordance with the following;

- adoption of Resolution No. 2022-34 until October 10, 2022;
- adoption of Resolution No. 2022-35 until October 17, 2022; and
- adoption of Resolution No. 2023-03 until October 24, 2022; and

WHEREAS, the BOCC finds that an extension of the LSE until October 31, 2022, unless terminated sooner, is necessary to continue providing assistance to those affected by this disaster; and

WHEREAS, the BOCC finds that in the event emergency disaster assistance in still necessary for the health, safety and welfare of Hardee County, the Chairman shall be authorized to extend the LSE for up to two (2) additional seven (7) day periods to be ratified at the next regularly scheduled BOCC meeting.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, by the Board of County Commissioners of Hardee County, Florida as follows:

SECTION I. A State of Local Emergency is hereby declared and extended for all of Hardee County, for a period of seven (7) days, ending October 31, 2022, or until terminated by the Hardee County Emergency Management Director, whichever is earlier.

SECTION II. Upon a determination by the County Manager and Hardee County Emergency Management Director that the LSE is required to be extended in order to continue providing emergency disaster assistance to the residents of Hardee County, the Chairman is authorized to

extend the LSE for up to two (2) additional seven (7) day periods to be ratified at the next regularly scheduled BOCC meetings.

SECTION III. Procedures and formalities otherwise required by law pertaining to actions enumerated by items one through eight contained in Resolution No. 2022-33 are hereby waived for the duration of this declaration.

SECTION IV. The Hardee County Emergency Management Director and County Manager are hereby authorized and directed to take whatever prudent actions may be necessary to protect the health, safety, and welfare of the community pursuant to this declaration.

SECTION V. This Resolution shall become effective immediately upon its adoption.

APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 24th day of October 2022 at a special meeting of The Board of County Commissioners of Hardee County, Florida.

THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF HARDEE COUNTY, FLORIDA

Russell A. Melendy

Chairman

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

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